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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Ugo AMALDI et al. Conf. 1179

Application No. 10/602,060 Group 2821

Filed June 24, 2003 Examiner Don Kitsun Wong

LINAC FOR ION BEAM ACCELERATION

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 11, 2004

Sir:

This responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on February 26, 2004. In that Notice, the Legal Instruments Examiner indicated that the amendment filed on June 24, 2003 was considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 as amended on June 30, 2003. Specifically, a complete listing of all of the claims was not present.

It is, however, pointed out that the amendment in question was filed prior to the July 30, 2003 effective date for amended section 37 CFR 1.121.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is in error, and must be

withdrawn. A prompt examination on the merits is accordingly earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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